

Minutes of Advisory Budget Committee

September 22, 2008

Present: Charlie Pyle, Nick Wilder, Henry Kunhardt, Bob Arpin and Becky Moul

We took care of housekeeping first. Charlie was unanimously voted as Chairman, Nick was voted as Vice Chairman and Becky was voted as Secretary. Bob Arpin was welcomed as the newest member of the committee.

The group talked about the Mission statement and felt that last years was still in line with our charge. We unanimously voted to keep the mission statement as it is.

Spoke on many topics: Police, Highway, Insurance, Transfer Station and others.

Tom had requested we remain at the same level as the CIP [CPI \(Consumer Price Index\)](#), which is at 5.5% right now. We are interested in keeping the budget much lower than that.

We went over the letter and hearing schedule to the Dept Heads, Library & Cemetery Trustees. Charlie will send the letter to the Selectmen and ask them to co-sign it and send along to the appropriate depts.

We are requesting the dept budget numbers are in by October 13th. Budget Hearings will start on the 20th.

Questions for follow up: What kind of percentages will be considered for salary raises? When is the next time we meet with the Selectmen?

Next Meeting is on October 20th at 6:45 in the Town Offices.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm